



REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2851

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

VAN DER LAAN *et al.*

Appln. No.: 09/943,088

Filed: August 31, 2001

Title: METHOD OF OPERATING A LITHOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, LITHOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A DEVICE, AND A DEVICE MANUFACTURED THEREBY

Confirmation No.: 7680

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Examiner: H. NGUYEN

August 12, 2003

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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 2, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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